REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 15 and 16 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-14 and 17-25 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and Claims 15 and 16 have been amended by the present amendment without introducing new matter.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 1-11, 17-22, 24 and 25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph; Claims 1-14 and 17-25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over <u>Ihara et al.</u> (U.S. Patent 6,389,182, herein "<u>Ihara</u>") in view of <u>Theimer et al.</u> (U.S. Patent 5,793,630, herein "<u>Theimer</u>"); and Claims 15 and 16 were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form.

The rejection of Claims 1-11, 17-22, 24 and 25 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph is rendered moot in view of the cancellation of Claims 1-11, 17-22, 24 and 25.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that Claims 15 and 16 include allowable subject matter. In light of that indication, Claims 15 and 16 have been rewritten in independent form by incorporating the subject matter of base Claim 12 therein. Claims 1-14 and 17-25 have been canceled rendering moot the rejection of Claims 1-14 and 17-25 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Ihara and Theimer. No new matter is added.

In addition, submitted herewith is a supplemental Application Data Sheet to correct a typographical error in the Application Data Sheet filed May 10, 2001 and the U.S. PTO records. Specifically, the title has been corrected to read VIDEO INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND TRANSMITTER FOR TRANSMITTING INFORMATION TO THE SAME.

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Consequently, in light of the prior indication of allowable subject matter, the above discussion, and in view of the present amendment, no further issues are believed to be outstanding, and thus the present application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests an early and favorable action to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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